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Honorable Members of the City Council
155 Deer Hill Avenue
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Re: Creation of the Danbury/Putnam County Partnership Taskforce

Dear Members of the City Council:

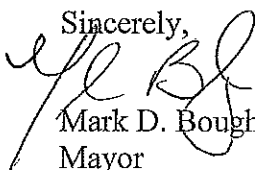
I submit for your consideration a request to create a new City taskforce designed to explore partnership opportunities with our neighbors in Putnam County. This taskforce comprised of four council members, and City staff as required, will meet and work with Putnam County Executive MaryEllen Odell and her designees, in order to explore opportunities for efficiencies and collaboration that can benefit both of our respective communities.

These agreements can take any shape and form so long as they are mutually beneficial to both Danbury and the County. Examples of the types cooperation's can include combined purchasing, sharing of equipment, partnerships in providing services to all residents, and a more coordinated and faster response to any type of emergency. Most importantly, this partnership will explore new possibilities for economic development. It is no secret that a great deal of the commerce conducted in Danbury comes from across state lines, and that people who live in New York work in Danbury and vice versa. This taskforce between Danbury and Putnam County is a common sense idea that will enhance our tax base and increasing our work force by promoting common goals and economic initiatives.

Given the fiscal climate at the State of Connecticut, it is imperative that we as a City continue to look beyond our own borders to secure and improve our current standard of service delivery. Therefore, it is requested that this taskforce be formed to explore any and all partnership opportunities that can be had between the City of Danbury and Putnam County New York.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,


Mark D. Boughton
Mayor

CC: Stephen Nocera, Director of Project Excellence
Roger Palanzo, Director of Business Advocacy

